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TRANSMITTAL Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,	Examiner Name	Rueben M. Brown
provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.  See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).	Attorney Docket Number	213680.00004

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.  NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.						
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